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Dear Sir,

I am writing in regard to Docket Number 98P-0151/CPI, this Docket prohibits the slaughter of downed animals. I urge you to grant petition of this important docket.

Some of the downed animals may be linked to the "mad cow disease", which is linked to a fatal human illness.

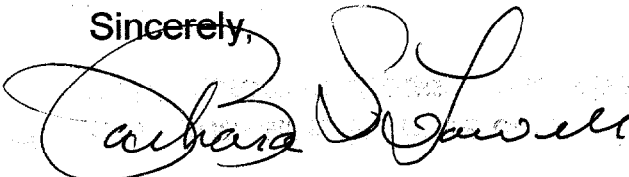
It is impossible to move downed animals humanely, they are pushed with tractors or dragged with chains, this cruelty MUST stop.

The prohibiting of their marketing will cause no undue economic hardship as there is a very small percentage of downed animals.

Removing the downed animals from the market will provide an incentive to the industry to prevent downed animals in the first place.

Thank you .

Sincerely,



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